2018 Current Fiscal Year Report: Missouri River Resource Advisory Committee

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1. Department or Agency 2. Fiscal Year

Department of Agriculture 2018

3. Committee or Subcommittee No. 3b. GSA Committee No.

Missouri River Resource Advisory Committee 70480

4. Is this New During Fiscal 5. Current 6. Expected Renewal 7. Expected Term

Year? Charter Date Date

No 12/03/2018 12/03/2020

8a. Was Terminated During 8b. Specific Termination 8c. Actual Term

FiscalYear? Authority Date

No

9. Agency Recommendation for Next10a. Legislation Req to 10b. Legislation

FiscalYear Terminate? Pending?
Continue Not Applicable Not Applicable

11. Establishment Authority Statutory (Congress Created)

13. 14.

12. Specific Establishment Authority Effective Committee _

e Presidential?

Date Type

The SRS and Community Self-Determination Act as

reauthorized in PL 110-343 and PL 112-141.

10/03/2009Continuing No

15. Description of Committee Other Committee

16a. Total Number of No Reports for this

Reports FiscalYear

17a. Open 0 17b. Closed 0 17c. Partially Closed 0 Other Activities 0 17d. Total 0

Meetings and Dates

No Meetings

	Current FY	Next FY
18a(1). Personnel Pmts to Non-Federal Members	\$0.00	\$0.00
18a(2). Personnel Pmts to Federal Members	\$0.00	\$0.00
18a(3). Personnel Pmts to Federal Staff	\$0.00\$	19,100.00
18a(4). Personnel Pmts to Non-Member Consultants	\$0.00	\$0.00
18b(1). Travel and Per Diem to Non-Federal Members	\$0.00	\$0.00
18b(2). Travel and Per Diem to Federal Members	\$0.00	\$0.00
18b(3). Travel and Per Diem to Federal Staff	\$0.00	\$0.00
18b(4). Travel and Per Diem to Non-member Consultants	\$0.00	\$0.00

18c. Other(rents,user charges, graphics, printing, mail, etc.)	\$0.00	\$0.00
18d. Total	\$0.00 \$1	9,100.00
19. Federal Staff Support Years (FTE)	0.00	0.25

20a. How does the Committee accomplish its purpose?

The purpose of a Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act resource advisory committee is to provide advice and recommendations to the Forest Service consistent with Division C, Title VI of Public Law 110-343. The Act describes the duties of the committees as follows: to review projects proposed by counties and other interested parties; to recommend projects and funding; to provide early and continuous coordination with Forest Service officials; to provide frequent opportunities for citizens, organizations, tribes, land management agencies and other interested parties to participate openly and meaningfully, beginning in the early stages of project development; to monitor projects approved under the Act; to advise the designated federal official on the progress of monitoring; and to make recommendations for any appropriate changes or adjustments to projects being monitored.

20b. How does the Committee balance its membership?

The committee is comprised of 15 members, five in each of three categories prescribed in the Act. Within each category, the Act identifies specific interests members are to represent. Committees are formed in geographic areas to ensure each national forest located within a participating county or counties has access to a resource advisory committee. The Act requires members to be residents of the state or states within which the committee has jurisdiction.

20c. How frequent and relevant are the Committee Meetings?

The committee generally will meet 1-2 times per year or as needed to perform its duties.

20d. Why can't the advice or information this committee provides be obtained elsewhere?

The RAC is necessary to improve collaborative relationships among the people that use and care for the National Forests and to provide advice and recommendations to the Forest Service concerning projects and funding consistent with Title II of the Act.

20e. Why is it necessary to close and/or partially closed committee meetings? All meetings are open to the public.

21. Remarks

The Missouri River RAC did not meet in FY 2018. It did not meet because the Secure

Rural Schools Act was not reauthorized until late March 2018, and then less than a full 3 months later the Forest Service FACA charter expired in mid-June. The committee will commence meeting and business following the reauthorization of the national charter. Because of these constraints, the committee last met April 10, 2017 when it took action on 24 project proposals.

Designated Federal Officer

Sara Mayben Deputy Forest Supervisor, Helena - Lewis and Clark National Forest

Committee Members	Start	End	Occupation	Member Designation
Cancroft, James	11/14/2016	08/14/2020	Commercial Timber Industry	Representative Member
Clark, James	11/14/2016	11/14/2020	Affected Public at Large	Representative Member
Cohenour, Joseph	11/14/2016	11/14/2020	Nationally/Regionally recognized wild horse and burro, wildlife, or hunting organizations or watershed association	Representative Member
Cole, Lawrence	11/14/2016	11/14/2020	Federal grazing permit, other land use permit, noncommercial private forest land owners	Representative Member
Coleman, Autumn	11/14/2016	11/14/2020	Energy and Mineral Development or Commercial or Recreational Fishing Groups	Representative Member
Flynn, Kelly	11/14/2016	11/14/2020	State elected office	Representative Member
Gilbert, Alfred "Sam"	11/14/2016	11/14/2020	Nationally recognized environmental group	Representative Member
Lionberger, Sherri	11/14/2016	11/14/2020	Dispersed Recreation Activities	Representative Member
Nordahl, Michael	11/14/2016	11/14/2020	Developed Outdoor Rec., OHV users, Commercial Rec. Activities	Representative Member
Paris, James	11/14/2016	11/14/2020	Area school official/teacher	Representative Member
Pocha, Daniel	11/14/2016	11/14/2020	American Indian Tribes	Representative Member
Travis, Lauri	11/14/2016	11/14/2020	Archeology and History	Representative Member
Vennes, Gail	11/14/2016	11/14/2020	County or local elected office	Representative Member
Walker, Robert	11/14/2016	11/14/2020	Regionally or locally recognized environmental organization	Representative Member

Number of Committee Members Listed: 14

Narrative Description

By recommending projects that maintain and improve the health of national forest ecosystems and improve cooperative relationships among the people who use and care for the national forests, the Secure Rural Schools resource advisory committees support the Forest Service mission to sustain the health, diversity, and productivity of the Nation's forests and grasslands to meet the needs of present and future generations. The committees specifically support Forest Service strategic goals to 1. Restore, sustain, and enhance the national forests; and 2. Provide and sustain benefits to the American people.

What are the most significant program outcomes associated with this committee? Checked if Applies Improvements to health or safety Trust in government Major policy changes Advance in scientific research Effective grant making Improved service delivery Increased customer satisfaction Implementation of laws or regulatory requirements Other **Outcome Comments** RAC recommendations facilitated the funding or partial funding of numerous projects that will provide a restoration benefit and/or enhance recreation opportunities on National Forest lands. What are the cost savings associated with this committee? Checked if Applies None Unable to Determine Under \$100,000 \$100,000 - \$500,000 \$500,001 - \$1,000,000 \$1,000,001 - \$5,000,000 \$5,000,001 - \$10,000,000 Over \$10,000,000 Cost Savings Other **Cost Savings Comments** Not applicable. What is the approximate Number of recommendations produced by this committee for the life of the committee? 120

Number of Recommendations Comments

The RAC did not meet or make any recommendations in FY 18. There were no committee

meetings in FY18, and a relatively short window during which the RAC could have hypothetically met to take actions. Previously there were 24 recommendations in FY2017 and a total of 96 from previous FYs.

What is the approximate <u>Percentage</u> of these recommendations that have been or will be <u>Fully</u> implemented by the agency?

87%

% of Recommendations Fully Implemented Comments

There were no recommendations made in FY 18 to implement. Recommendations made in FY17 have been in various stages of implementation throughout FY18. All recommendations, prior to those made in 2017, have been completed.

What is the approximate <u>Percentage</u> of these recommendations that have been or will be <u>Partially</u> implemented by the agency?

12%

% of Recommendations Partially Implemented Comments

Approximately 13% of the recommendations made during the life of this RAC are in various stages of implementation. Some may be completed by the very end of FY 18 or in early FY 19.

Does the agency provide the committee with feedback regarding actions taken to implement recommendations or advice offered?

Yes 🔽	No -	Not Applicable

Agency Feedback Comments

The Forest Service (FS) Designated Federal Official (DFO) and/or RAC Coordinator reports to the committee on whether recommended projects proposals are or are not approved by the FS. The DFO also reports on actions taken to implement approved projects. This may take the form of verbal reports and presentations at committee meetings, committee field trips and monitoring activities.

What other actions has the agency taken as a result of the committee's advice or recommendation?

recommendation.	
	Checked if Applies
Reorganized Priorities	✓
Reallocated resources	✓
Issued new regulation	

Proposed legislation	
Approved grants or other payments	
Other	
Action Comments	
Is the Committee engaged in the review of applications fo	or grants?
Grant Review Comments	
How is access provided to the information for the Commit	
	Checked if Applies
Contact DFO	✓
Online Agency Web Site	✓
Online Committee Web Site	
Online GSA FACA Web Site	✓
Publications	
Other	

Access Comments